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Indications.  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Tennessee and Ohio Valley: Increasing cloudiness, followed by local snow, rising temperature, falling barometer, variable winds, generally arctic in Tennessee.

## A CHANGE

49 DEGREES

30 MINUTES

By the donning of Underwear and Overwear from overthere at

OWEN, PEXLEY & CO'S

25 & 27 WEST MAIN ST.

The only house in Springfield retailing their own manufactured clothing at WHOLESALE PRICES.

## 60 SUITS.

Your attention is called to a stock of Men's all Wool Sack Suits to be seen on bargain tables today at \$12 PER SUIT.

Also our window of Boy's Knee Pant Suits in two qualities.

\$2 AND \$3.

OWEN, PEXLEY & CO.,  
Springfield's Only Price Clothiers and Furnishers.

### Hogs vs. Snakes.

Adam Schardt lives on Kelly's island. He is a rare old German with a sweet accent. He gives the following history of the early settlers of Kelly's island: In the first place, the island was literally covered with snakes and reptiles, and no human being, not even the noble red man, had the courage to dispute their right and title to the island. During a heavy storm, many years ago, a schooner was wrecked off McLeod's point. The boat carried a cargo of live hogs. All hands were lost, but the hogs swam ashore, and, as they found little else to feed upon, they made little else of snakes. In the course of time they succeeded in devouring all the snakes on the island. Then the Kelly family put in an appearance and began to devour the hogs, a feat which was accomplished easily and quickly. Nothing has since succeeded in exterminating the Kelly family.—New York Sun.

By means of the new electric brake, the invention of an American, it is said that a train running at a speed of about twenty-five miles an hour was stopped in the short space of six seconds, and within a distance of twenty yards.

### SPRINGFIELD RETAIL MARKETS.

CORRECTED BY CHAS. W. PAYSTON & CO.

Daily Report—Saturday, Feb. 21, 1885.

PROVISIONS.

BUTTER—Scarc at 25c retail.

EGGS—Scarc at 25c per doz.

POULTRY—Good demand; chickens, young, 20c; old, 25c each.

APPLES—\$1.00 per bush.

POTATOES—\$1.00 per bush.

SWEET POTATOES—None.

CABBAGES—Scarc; \$1.20 a \$2.00 per bbl.; 15c per head.

ONIONS—Scarc; \$1.20 per bush.

RAISINS—\$1.00 per lb; Rio, prime green, 12c; Rio, golden, 10c per lb; Rio, prime green, 12c; Rio, golden, 10c per lb.

COAL—\$1.00 per ton.

WHEAT—\$1.00 per bush.

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### His Birthday and His Monument.

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Also Eloquent Address by Hon. John W. Daniel, of Virginia.

Speech by Senator Sherman.

Washington Monument Dedictory Exercises.

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It is now, Mr. President, Senators and Representatives, more than half a century since a voluntary association of patriotic citizens initiated the project of erecting a national monument to Washington in the city which bears his name. But I look around in vain for any of the principal witnesses of that inspiring heroism—the venerable widows of Alexander Hamilton and James Madison; President Polk and his Cabinet, as then constituted—Buchanan, Marcy, John Y. Mason, Walker, Cave Johnson, and Clifford; Vice-President Dallas; George Washington Parks, the adopted son of the great chief; not forgetting Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson, both then members of the House of Representatives, and for whom the liveliest imagination could hardly have pictured what the future had in store for them. Of that whole Congress there are now but a handful of survivors, and probably not more than two or three of them present here today—not one in either branch of Congress, nor one, as I believe, in any department of the national service.

To those of us who took part in the laying of that first stone, or who witnessed the ceremonies of the august occasion, and who have followed the slow ascent of the stupendous pile, sometimes with hope and sometimes with despair, its successful completion is, with all its attendant expenses, a relief, as well as a heart-delighting and joy. I hazard little in saying that there are some here today—unwearying workers in the cause, like my friends Horatio King and Dr. Toner—to name no others—who parting from a

special party would have been added, had it not been for the sight which now greets their longing eyes on yonder plain.

I dare not venture on any detailed description of the long intervening agony between the laying of the first stone and the lifting of the last. It would fill a volume, and it is not my business to furnish material for an elaborate monograph, whose author will literally find "sermons in stones"—for almost every stone has its story, if not its sermon. Every year of the first decade, certainly, had its eventful and noteworthy experiences. The early enthusiasm which elicited contributions to the amount of more than a quarter of a million of dollars, from men, women and children in all parts of the land, and which carried up the shaft more than a hundred and thirty feet almost at bound; the presentation and formal reception of massive blocks of marble, granite, porphyry, or free-stone, from every State in the Union and from so many foreign nations—beginning, according to the catalogue, with a stone from "Bunker Hill, and ending with the presentation of Brazil; the annual assemblies at its base on each succeeding Fourth of July, with speeches by distinguished visitors; the sudden illness and death of that sterling patriot, President Zachary Taylor, after his exposure to the may heat of the gathering in 1854, when the well-remembered Senator Foote, of Mississippi had indulged in too exuberant an address;—these were among its beginnings;—the end was still a whole generation distant.

Later on came the long, long disheartening pause, when—partly owing to the financial embarrassments of the times, partly owing to the political contentions and convulsions of the country, and partly owing to the untimely death of the energetic and patriotic Senator Sherman, who had been selected to preside by a resolution of Congress. The monument, said the senator, speaks for itself—simple in form, admirable in proportions, composed of enduring marble and granite, resting upon foundations broad and deep, it rises into the skies higher than any work of human art. It is the most imposing, costly and appropriate